



CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT

February 13, 2012

Mr. John Settle, Prep Coordinator
DEQ – Tidewater Regional Office
5636 Southern Boulevard
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

RE: Dominion – Yorktown Power Station – Oil Spill to Ground Notification

Dear Mr. Settle:

The following information is provided as written notification for an oil spill to ground that occurred at the above referenced facility on February 9, 2012. The verbal notification was made on February 9th to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Tidewater Regional Office.

A. Responsible Party Name: Dominion Virginia Power – Yorktown Power Station
Address: 1600 Waterview Road, Yorktown, VA 23692
Telephone: (757) 898-2555

B. Incident Response (IR) Number: DEQ IR No. 13298

C. Spill Information

1. **Spill date & time:** Approximately 9:00 a.m. on February 9, 2012
2. **Type of product spilled:** No. 6 Heavy Fuel Oil
3. **Cause of spill:** The station was in the process of heating No. 6 heavy fuel oil when a gasket failed on the heavy oil burner pump suction strainer. The failed gasket allowed oil to be sprayed against the interior west wall of the Burner Pump House, which subsequently flowed down the wall panels. The building is equipped with concrete containment; however, the wall panel pattern allowed oil to flow under the wall panel outside of the containment. The oil settled in the gravel area adjacent to the Burner Pump House building. An operator was working in the area at the time the event occurred and was able to react quickly to isolate the equipment which stopped the leak.
4. **Specific location of spill:** Yorktown Power Station
5. **Volume of product spilled:** Approximately 40 gallons
6. **Volume of product reaching state waters or storm drain systems:** No waterways or storm drainage system were affected.
7. **Name of waterway that spill discharged to:** Not Applicable
8. **Description of clean up measures:** The spill was contained to the immediate vicinity of the Burner Pump House building. The standing No. 6 fuel was placed in a drum for

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- recycling. The affected soil and gravel was removed and prepared for offsite disposal.
9. **Agencies notified:** The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Tidewater Regional Office was notified at 10:54 a.m. on February 9, 2012.
 10. **Corrective action taken:** The heavy oil line servicing the strainer has been isolated. The No. 6 fuel oil has been placed in a drum for recycling. All impacted soil and gravel is being removed and prepared for offsite disposal. The station will be installing a deflector wall panel to prevent reoccurrence.

If you have any questions or comments please contact Rick Woolard, of Dominion Electric Environmental Services, at (804) 273-2991 and/or Yorktown Power Station's Environmental Compliance Coordinator, Laura Shumaker at (757) 898-2555.

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Sincerely,



Cathy C. Taylor,
Director, Electric Environmental Services

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